

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Satoru NEMOTO et al.

Art Unit: 1791

Application Number: 10/564,445

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For:

METHOD AND DEVICE FOR FORCIBLY INSERTING DROP INTO

COMPRESSION MOLDING MACHINE, AND MOLDING DIE FOLLOW-UP TYPE METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SUPPLYING

DROP

Attorney Docket Number:

062007

Customer Number:

38834

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 10, 2009

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2009.

In the Office Action, restriction is required between Group I (Claim1), Group II (Claim 2), Group III (Claim3) and Group IV (Claim 4).

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group II (Claim 2) for prosecution in this application.

This election is made with traverse because this application is a US national stage of **PCT application**. Group II and Group IV satisfy the combination of categories provided in under 37 CFR § 1.475(b) and satisfy unity of invention.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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